



# Children & Young People's Network E-bulletin



November 2020

Dear Members,

Thank you for taking the time to read this month's ebulletin. With Covid cases rising both locally and nationally we went back in to lockdown last week and for many of our members this has meant another pause in operations, whilst for others we are continuing finding new and intuitive ways to offer support which has never been more needed.

In this month's bulletin in addition to training and funding opportunities you will find links to the B&NES food finder, which lists organisations that are offering support to families with food and also details of a new helpline that has been set up to support Black and Asian families through the COVID crisis. We also have details of the new CYPN communities of practice and there is a great opportunity being offered by DreamSpace for young people in B&NES to share their views of the impact that the COVID crisis has had on them.

Please feel free to share your positive news stories with us as it is great to share these with other network members and gives us all a chance to celebrate each other's' successes!

As always please do get in touch if I can help in any way or if you would like to get more involved in the Network. Thank you for everything you are all doing in our community. Continue to keep safe and take care,

Gilly Samuddin,  
Children & Young People's Network Coordinator.

## What's in this month's Newsletter:

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Please keep us up to date... Let us know if your contact details change:

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## Local/National News:

**CYPN Communities' of practice:** As mentioned at our Network Meeting last month we are setting up two new communities of practice for members. These will focus on **Early Years** and **Youth work**. These groups are for practitioners in your organisation who would like to network with others working in the same field, who potentially may be feeling isolated at the moment/ be the only practitioner in your organisation working in this field. We will initially be running our sessions on zoom, but hope to move to face to face support groups as time allows. The focus will be on sharing good practice. Please get in touch by [email](#) if you have any practitioners who would be interested in either group.

**B&NES Food Finder:** Details of local Foodbanks and food pantries in B&NES are available [here](#).

Compassionate communities have launched their '[Compassionate Christmas](#)' campaign that aims to shine a light on all that is compassionate going on in our community during this time of year. Have a look at their website for ways to share what your organisation is doing or how to get involved.

[Dream Space](#) is a creative community-led project, created by generosity movement [Good for Nothing](#), to amplify voices from our city's communities around the defining issues of our time: the climate crisis, racism and the inequalities revealed by Covid -19, while also unearthing ideas for shaping the future of our city. Throughout November the Dream Space team are guiding creative experiences to give everyone in Bath (from 15 years+) a platform to speak openly on these issues. [Film it. Speak it. Write it.](#) Share your story online [www.thedreamspace.co.uk](http://www.thedreamspace.co.uk) or at an [online gathering](#). In addition, the team are looking for young creative talent to come on board and assist with creating the Dream Space film, audio podcast and print medium, and are arranging mentors from within the Bath community to support

them. Any questions about the opportunities available please email [Bex Fox](#)

**An Introduction to Brevio** event was held on Monday 26th October for those of you unable to attend a copy of the slides are available [here](#).

A [Black & Asian family Covid-19 helpline](#) & webchat facility has been set up by Barnardo's, encouraging children, young people & families from these communities who have been impacted by Covid-19 to speak about their worries and stresses. It provides therapeutic support, as well as signposting to other organisations who can provide further help.

**Young People's Health Report: Young people's experiences of mental health, being LGBT+ accessing services and rural isolation** In 2019 OTR was commissioned in partnership with Healthwatch B&NES to complete a piece of research into the experiences of young people, mental health, LGBT+, and rural isolation. The research has been led by OTR and in collaboration with 5 young people from the Your Voice group. [This report](#) provides an overview of the key findings of the experiences of young people, young lesbian, gay, bisexual, trans, and questioning people (LGBTQ) aged 16-25-year-olds in B&NES.

#### **Public Health COVID -19 study about how people have responded to COVID-19**

A research team is doing an evaluation about how people have responded to COVID-19, and specifically about how they are following the guidance on social distancing, testing, and self-isolation. The researchers want to talk with people who work with or volunteer with partner organisations in the South of Bath to understand the barriers people may face in following guidance on social distancing, testing & self-isolation & to try to identify the best ways to enable and encourage people to follow guidance.

For more details please download [here](#) the information sheet about the study and a consent form.

## Business & Fundraising:

[A Charity Guide to Planning 2021 Fundraising Events](#) With so much uncertainty, planning for the 2021 fundraising landscape might seem impossible right now. But the rise of digital fundraising events provides charities with a way forward. Have a read of this helpful blog for planning future events.

**A child-centred recovery** LGA have launched a new report, [A child centred recovery](#), outlining the call for the government to put children and young people at the heart of recovery planning. The report also outlines ways in which councils and the government can take a child-focussed approach to policy and decision-making.

**Get Grants Meet the Funder event:** please see this useful recording about the Groundwork Comic Relief fund' Groundwork West Midlands's Michelle Brodie talks about the UK-wide [Comic Relief Community Fund](#).

**Children & Young People Grant – [Masonic Charitable Foundation](#):** Open to charities helping disadvantaged children and young people to overcome the barriers they face. Charities whose annual income does not exceed £500,000 can currently apply for a small grant. These grants are unrestricted. Small grants range from £1000 to £15,000 and can be awarded over one to three years. The current application period for Small Grants runs until 23rd December 2020. [The Yorkshire Building Society Charitable Foundation](#): Grants up to £2,000 for charities for

projects that reduce poverty, improve health and save lives, particularly where beneficiaries are children, the elderly, homeless, people with a disability or people who are seriously ill. Please note that all applying organisations must be recommended by members or colleagues of the Yorkshire Building Society. The next application deadline is therefore Thursday 31st December 2020

[The Woodward Charitable Trust](#) General Grants One-off core funding grants up to £3,000 for small UK charities working in the areas of arts outreach, disability, disadvantaged women and families, isolated children and young people, minority groups and prisoners and ex-offenders. Applications should be made via the Trust's online application form. This is available on the Trust's website, where further information and guidance about available grants can also be found. Deadline: 28th January 2021

[Free Disability Grants Database](#): The Disability Grants website was set up by Julia Tyrrell, the mother of a disabled child who has accessed grants to help fund trikes, wheelchairs, adaptations to their home, medical equipment and specialist holidays. The site, which is free to access, has plenty of useful resources

[The Van Neste Foundation](#) One-off grants around £7,500 for charitable organisations based & working in Bath & Somerset working to support chn & young people. The Van Neste Foundation's overarching aims are to encourage innovation, self-help & to tackle social injustice.

## TEST AND TRACE SUPPORT PAYMENTS FOR THOSE ON LOW INCOMES

In case you've missed it, as of 28 September, you may be entitled to a Test and Trace Support Payment of £500 if you are self-isolating because of COVID-19 and you are either employed or self-employed. The payment is to support people on low incomes who are unable to work from home if they are told to self-isolate by NHS Test and Trace and lose income as a result. Please share with families you are working with who are eligible

## Training & Support Opportunities:

To book your space on one of these training sessions please see the [Learning Zone](#)

16.11.20: Virtual Zoom Session 9.45 – 12.45pm [BCSSP Neglect Inter-Agency Child Protection - VIRTUAL session](#) This Virtual course is for those looking to refresh and build on their knowledge and skills to support children and families living in environments with high levels of Neglect.

18.11.20:9.45-12.45pm [BCSSP Advanced Inter-Agency Child Protection Refresher Training - Virtual session](#)

24.11.20: Virtual BITESIZE Training [Voice of the child/young person in the Early Help Assessment](#)  
11.30 – 12pm To encourage skills in interpreting & further understanding what it is that is being said by children and young people, especially in the very young or non-verbal.

14.12.20: Virtual Zoom Session 9.15-4.30pm [Child Sexual Abuse, Safeguarding & Child Protection - Virtual Training](#) This is a one day virtual course for those looking to refresh and build on their knowledge and skills to support children and families where child sexual abuse is suspected or evidenced.

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**FREE Courses!** [Somerset Skills and Learning Courses](#) – November 2020

16.11.20: [Introduction to Trauma and Restorative Practice 1](#) – SASP (6-9pm) This online course is ideal if you have an interest in supporting vulnerable young people and their families.

17.11.20: [Creative Outdoor Learning](#) (10 – 11.30)– learn about the benefits of outdoor learning + positive impact on children

18.11.20: [Introduction to Trauma and Restorative Practice 2](#) – SASP (6-9pm) You will gain interactive experiences that will bring you to a full understanding of the fundamental unifying premise of restorative practices.

Online any day: 9.30 – 3.30pm [Level 2 Certificate for the Children & Young People's Workforce](#) This Level 2 Certificate for the Children and Young People's Workforce is for you if you work or are looking to work with young people in early learning, childcare, social care or learning development or support. It will demonstrate your competence to employers and could lead to you getting a job like a nursery assistant, care worker, youth worker or registered childminder.

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FREE Training delivered by St Mungo's

10.12.20 [Safeguarding Training](#), 2-3.30pm (online) Providing participants with a clear understanding of their roles and responsibilities in preventing and responding to suspected and actual abuse in relation to safeguarding adults and children.

## Events:

- 12<sup>th</sup> November 2020 DreamSpace Online gathering 'Climate Crisis' 7 – 10pm. Register your [space here](#).
- 16<sup>th</sup> November 2020 CIF Community Fundraising [Conference](#), online – 10 – 5pm.
- 17<sup>th</sup> November 2020 DreamSpace online gathering 'Life in the Pandemic'
- 17<sup>th</sup> November 2020: '[Out in B&NES](#)' 6-8pm Online group discussion on LGBTQ\* health & wellbeing. To register please email [info@diversitytrust.org.uk](mailto:info@diversitytrust.org.uk)
- 28<sup>th</sup> November 2020: 'Out in B&NES' - online discussion 10 – 12pm
- 3rd December 2020 11 – 12pm [Boost digital fundraising](#) with Matt Haworth from Reason Digital. **Free** Webinar on how charities can boost digital fundraising results and maximise income online.
- 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2021: **TRC Conference – Complex Trauma & Dissociation**. This annual conference will be online this year and has some great keynote speakers. Times: 10.30 – 4.30pm. Tickets are available [here](#).

### Views wanted by [Youth Endowment Fund](#):

The Youth Endowment Fund is looking for people and organisations working to keep children safe from violence to help it set its priorities for the next three years. It launched its ten-year strategy on 7th October and is asking for input to help decide on the areas of focus for 2021-2023. The Youth Endowment Fund will be talking to people over the next three months to decide what its priorities are, before producing a report in early 2021 on the decision made for the theme of its next grant round. You can submit your views via this [online form](#):

## CYPN Job opportunities

**Off the Record: LGBT+ Development Worker** 18.5 hours per week, £23,166 pro rata. Closing date: Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> November. For more details see [here](#). Please fill out an application form and email it to: [office@offtherecord-banes.co.uk](mailto:office@offtherecord-banes.co.uk)

Thank you for taking the time to read this e-bulletin. Please do keep sending in events and news to share with the sector. Now, more than ever, it is so important for us to come together and share knowledge and resources. If I can help in any way please don't hesitate to get in touch,

Kind regards, Gilly Samuddin  
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